



## MyEDP – Your tool for success

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Search no more for advice about enlisted career development! Now, it is all just a click away.

My Enlisted Development Plan, or MyEDP, is designed as the Air Force's cradle-to-grave enlisted developmental tool. From their first day of duty to their last, enlisted Airmen can enjoy features of the site designed to provide standardization in every aspect of their career progression.

All users from around the globe and from different career fields are able to respond to the threads. And with MyEDP's sharing capabilities, you can permit your mentors (officer, civilian or enlisted) to have access to your career information, so they can weigh in on things like applying for a headquarters job or taking a particular college course to help your career.

Already, thousands of Airmen have opened accounts on the site – a process that takes less than two minutes. Once a profile is created, the user has access to news, events, forums, a library, plus access to their Air Force Personnel Center records and career information.

The forums are currently the most popular feature on the site. With topics such as general discussion, assignments, pay and benefits, etc., you are able to post threads with questions about, really, anything: uniforms, STEP promotions, assignments, and in the example below, preparing for a promotion test.

"I am a new Airman. I have only been in for 3 years in Jan. I am coming up on my testing for staff. I am in the Readiness/CBRNE career field. I am not good at testing so I will probably not pass this time but, I have been hitting the books hard. I just put on SRA in July and no award points just two 5's on EPR's. So any advice would be greatly appreciated."

While the forums on MyEDP are monitored for content, messages aren't deleted even if the information posted doesn't exactly fit the "party line." The goal of the forums is to allow Airmen to come online and share questions, ideas and information. All users are identified, so all information is accountable.

Another popular feature is the journal. Paired up with the sharing capabilities, this feature has helped Airmen record their thoughts and activities, a benefit especially for those deployed.

"For me, personally, the journal is great for recording sorties I have flown in OEF, OIF, OAF and other operations," wrote Staff Sgt. Rafeal Cruzoyola, an aircrew member from Kadena Air Base, Japan. "Instead of just looking through my written journals, it's all a click away. The journal seems great for keeping EPR bullets and sending them to your supervisor when requested."

MyEDP's goal is to provide a constant source of information to you regarding your career. All Airmen are encouraged to log onto the Air Force Portal, click on MyEDP (under Featured Links) and check it out today!

*"From Community College of the Air Force to on-the-job training to leadership development, our Airmen won't have to worry about 'which system' anymore. They have one Air Force learning environment with one look and feel at their fingertips."*

*- Senior Master Sgt. Bill Thomaston, chief of enlisted force development*

### For more information:

#### Website:

To visit the MyEDP website, go to the AF Portal, click "Life & Career" and then click "Learning & Development" or look under "Featured Links."

#### News Articles:

*New web portal to help enlisted career development* - <http://www.af.mil/news/story.asp?storyID=123024914>

#### Senior Viewpoints:

*CMSAF's View* - <http://www.af.mil/news/story.asp?storyID=123029770>